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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to a Final Office Action dated March 18, 2002, and the telephone interview courteously granted applicant's representative on June 11, 2002, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

<u>In the Claims:</u>

Please amend claim 1 as follows:

1.   (Thrice Amended)   A data base for storing persistent data, comprising:

a buffer into which is written persistent data to be permanently stored;

a permanent memory connected to the buffer, the permanent memory having at least two storage units, into which the persistent data is alternately written so that a current set of the persistent data is stored in one of the storage units and a preceding set of the persistent data is stored in another of the storage units, each storage unit being structured to store a complete permanent configuration for at least one of:

(a) functions,

(b) characteristics, and

(c) a hardware implementation, of a terminal or cards of the terminal, at least one of the permanent configurations stored having a complete configuration available and being selected for hardware implementation.

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